

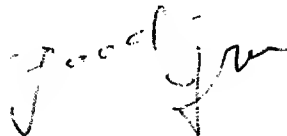
JMM:

Recommended that you sign
pink routing sheet requesting
concurrence on an Agency position
to a bill which was referred to us
by Senator Stennis for comment.

We plan to coordinate with
OGC, IC, DD/O and DD/I.

Once our comments have passed
muster internally, I think we should
show them to Braswell or Woolsey
before we seek the Director's signature.

LLM

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. Edgar Hoover", is written in a cursive style.

Proctor said:

First line - recommendations -- there
Me are none, change it to α "my comments".

MAX
NIX Change the "We"s to "I"

Mo Last paragraph - where you refer to a "report"
change it to "this letter constitutes my report"
or say this "letter" ~~rather~~ rather than report.

25X1A

8 May: [REDACTED] called JMM and

said he had no particular comments to make.

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ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

SUBJECT: (Optional)

FROM: John M. Maury
Legislative Counsel
7D43

EXTENSION

6121

NO.

OLC 73-0486

DATE

3 May 1973

TO: (Officer designation, room number, and building)

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OFFICER'S
INITIALS

COMMENTS (Number each comment to show from whom to whom. Draw a line across column after each comment.)

1. IC

*No comment*5/4/73
1025

5/8

LM

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In effect, we are deferring to the policymakers on the two more obvious defects of the bill: (1) it would make Congress privy to the most sensitive activities of the NSC and the President's chief policy advisers in direct conflict with the prerogatives of the President; and (2) it defeats the original purpose of the NSC if it forces the President to avoid use of the mechanism in order to maintain the confidentiality of his initiatives and options.

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[Signature]

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